GREAT WORK OF THE CHORUS.

escription of Verdi's Sublime Requiem Mass That Is to Be Given at the May Festival.

Among the pre-eminent masterpieces which will be performed at the coming musical festival, Verdi's Requiem undoubtedly takes the front rank. Guiseppe Verdi, unquestionably the greatest living Italian composer, was born in 1813, near Busetto, Italy, and early moved to Milan in which great musical metropolis he afterwards took up his home. His numerous operas gained for him the reputation of the greatest Italian dramatic composer of the age. His, early operas are indeed rich in melodious inventions, but their modulations are all in the light Italian style, and even less artistic than the opceas, however, which the performances of Wagner's opera met, even in Italy, made such a deep impression on Verdi's mind that he forthwith began a new departure in his mode of composition, earnestly striving to follow in the footsteps of the great

German hero of the so-called "music of the future" school. The success of this endeavor is amply testified in Verdi's opera "Aida" and in the "Manzoni Requiem."

The "Mass" was first performed in the city of Milan, in 1874, in honor of the anniversary of the death of Allessandro Manzoni, the celebrated Italian novelist and poet, who, in his early youth, enjoyed the plaudits of Goethe and who, in his latter days, lived a seciuded life at his home near Milan in religious meditation. Verdi was one of his intimate friends. The next performance of the "Requiem" was at the opera Comique, in Paris, in the antumn of 1874, succeeded by London and Vienna in 1875. Everywhere the greatest interest was manifested in the work, conveying to the Italian master new acknow-

interest was manifested in the work, conveying to the Italian master new acknowledgements of distinction. In Vienna, where the "Requiem" was performed under the personal leadership of Verdi, it brought him an immense ovation, the like of which the imperial city had not witnessed since the great Haydn festival, in 1806.

The "Mass" has been performed several times in the United States—in New York city in 1874, with the soloists of the Strakosch Opera Company—and it formed one of the principal features of the great sængerfest in Cincinnati, in 1879, where it was given under the direction of Professor. Barus. Etrictly taken, the work can hardly be strictly taken, the work can hardly be called "church music," the opera composer making too frequently his appearance.

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called "church music," the opera composer making too frequently his appearance. Nevertheless the music is impressive and beautiful, serious and solemn in its exceedingly rich construction.

The quiet and peaceful character of the first number, "Grant them Rest Eternal," and the brighter "Kyrie" prepares the mind for the crashing chords and rushing harmonies of the "Day of Anger," which anon subside into a low and wailing monotone, with the terrified heart-beats given by the orchestra in short detached notes. Then from afar is heard the trumpet blast, drawing nearer and nearer until the whole orchestra and chorus join in the stirring strains—"Hark, the Trumpet Sounds Appalling" again dying away into the low wailing monotone. In the next number, the "Rex Tremendae," a powerful descending passage by the base chorus, typifies the "King of Glories, Bright and Glowing," alternating with the pleading, "Save me, Lord." This is followed by a duet between soprano and alto and solos for tenor and bass, which is one of the finest parts of the work: in this the composer gives full rein to his florid Italian genius, and revels in beautifully interlacing melodies and intricate harmonic combinations, the whole terminating in the terrific grandeur of the "Dies Irae."

In the "Sanctus" a unique and pleasing effect was contemplated by the composer in the division of the chorus, into two distinct smaller choruses, to each of which is assigned a theme, the two themes being worked up into an intricate but exceedingly beantiful figure, which, though strictly contrapuntal in its style, is relieved by its melodious character. Following this comes the "Agnus Dei," with its melody intoned by the female voices in unnson, without accompaniment. This theme is then taken up by the full chorus, still in unison, the harmonies being supplied by the orchestra, which gives color and breatth by its rich and solemn treatments when the melancholy, varied at times by a brighter mood. The last movement opens with a soprane solo, "When Thou Comest to T

Real Estate and Building. As the spring season advances the real estate market and building investments move along with every evidence of prosperity. During the past week 105 sales were completed in this city, with a total considcompleted in this city, with a total consideration of \$200,355. Of this amount \$101,275 was for property that changed hands yesterday. Since Monday fifty-three building permits were issued, representing an aggregate outlay of \$33,515. Those who procured permits yesterday were Fred A. Gregory, atore-room, Tennessee street, near Twelfth, \$2,500; also, frame cottage, same location, \$200; Mrs. Maria Mason, frame cottage, No. 59 Ellen street, \$400; John H. Runge, frame dwelling, No. 124 High street, \$2,000; Love M. M. Mitten, frame dwelling, Orange avenue, near Ramsey street, \$500; M. F. Connett, frame cottage, Michigan street, near Bright, \$400; L. Hinkle, repairs, No. 61 North New Jersey street, \$200; Andy Steffen, repairs, No. 152 Clifford avenue, \$65; David Myer, frame cottage, Sullivan street, near McCarty, \$1,000; E. H. Eldridge & Co. brick mill, 164 South New Jersey street, \$5,000. sted in this city, with a total consid-

Firemen's Relief Fund.

Fire Chief Dougherty received a letter vesterday from Thomas F. Nevins, chief of the Brooklyn fire department, sending \$640 for the firemen's relief fund from the officers and the members of the department. "I am requested," the writer said, "by the officers and members of this department to convey to you and the afflicted families of

convey to you and the afflicted families of your deceased and injured brother firemen our heartfelt sympathies in their great trouble. We trust that time will soften this great calamity which has so suddenly afflicted you and yours."

A letter was also received from D. C. Larkin, chief of the Detroit department, guaranteeing \$243 for the fund. The Venus Council Club, No. 7, Order of Chosen Friends, of this city, also donated \$10 to the fund. Treasurer Haughey received the following yesterday: Thad Rollins, \$10: concert tickets from J. G. Pendergast, \$22.50; cash from Maryland street, \$2.75. This makes the total cash in the fund up to last night \$45,020.51.

Taken Under Advisement. Argument was heard by Judge Howland yesterday in the mandamus suit of the Western Paving and Supply Company against the Citizens' Street-railroad Company, to compel it to pay its share of the Pennsylvama-street improvement. The court took the matter under advisement.

One of the Best in the Country. Frank B. Nofsinger, formerly of this city. but now postmaster at Kansas City, was here yesterday on his way home from a conference of a number of postmasters at Washington, D. C. Mr. Nofsinger regards the Indianspelis office as one of the best in the country.

Hicklin Making Promises. "Cotopel" Hicklin is beginning to take rank with Sim Coy as a slick man. It is understood, that the "Colonel" for the past ten days has been promising all applicants, provided they be active, working Demowho know say that he has nearly a hundred

promises out, and each one is given to understand by many winks and nods from him that his case is sure, whatever may become of the others. He impresses it upon each one that he is expected to work hard for the ticket all day Monday to make his calling and election sure. The crafty "Colonel" has had these nominations for positions in the fire department postponed until after the election in order to enlist the services of so many workers who expect to get something. As there are only twelve vacancies in the department to be fitled, and several of these will be given to men who have had experience in fighting fire, about ninety-five of the men who have Hicklin's promise are going to get left. But they will first give one day to the service of the gang.

EASTER SUNDAY.

Celebration of the Great Church Festiva with Music and Flowers. The high church festival which receives attention equal to the Christmas celebration, is that of Easter, which occurs to-day. The date is a movable one, the day being always the first Sunday after the fourteenth day of the calendar moon which happens upon or next after the 21st of March. If the fourteenth day happens on Sunday, Easter is the Sunday after. The day now is not only observed in the Roman Catholic and Episcopal churches, but in those of every denomination. The two former denominations, however, have the more elaborate celebration. Easter

ter corresponds to the Passover observed among the Jews. The Easter services in all the churches are more interesting in music than on ordinary occasions.

The altars, too, are decked with richest and purest cloths, and flowers are used in great profusion. In the Episcopal Church me-morials for the dead are presented to the church. These are flowers in large bunches or designs, which are sent to the church Easter morning for the decoration of the church, and after the services they are distributed among the sick of the parish or sent to the hospitals. The large white lilies of Bermuda are the accepted flowers for Easter, and they are known as Easter lilies oftener than they are by their own name. The musical programmes which are rendered at the churches are in many instances equal to a grand sacred concert. Composers have devoted a great deal of time and study to the preparation of a magnificent choral service. Each year there is greater effort made for the Easter music, and it is becoming more and more a part of the service in the churches. Intoning is a feature in the Catholic and Episcopal churches, and often a major part of the service is sung. Fine programmes are to be given in all the

Early communion will be administered at 7 A. M., and the services, with sermon on "Christion Unity" and holy communion, will occur at 10:45 A. M. This will be a union celebration of St. Paul's and St. James's.

Dr. Jenckes will officiate this morning and preach at St. Philip's Colored Mission, on Minerva street, at 7:45 P. M.

Union Mission.

churches to-day.

The Union Mission constituted last Sunday has for its leading object to unite workday has for its leading object to unite workers of different faiths in Christian union for the purpose of doing missionary work among the poor, the laboring man, the fallen men and women of the city. It is the mission's purpose to do most for those for whom the least is being done, and to provide religious services to which they can be induced to come, and at which they can be made to feel at home. Covenant members will be received up to and including Wednesday night. After that, through the mission council. One need not sever church membership to become a member of the mission.

Services and Lectures Rev. J. La Tourette, late a chaplain of the U.S. A., will preach this evening at Grace Cathedral.

Dr. Tevis will preach at Seventh-street M. E. Church this morning upon "The Resurrection." There will be Easter serv-ices by the Sunday-school in the evening. The offertory at the Memorial Presby-terian Church, corner of Christian avenue and Ash street, this morning, at 10:30 o'clock, will be sung by Miss Annetta Max-am, the "sacred soloist,"

Rev. W. F. Taylor, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will give a lecture in the new lecture-room of that church Friday evening next. His subject will be "A Tri-cycle Trip through the Dales of Yorkshire." The subject of the pastor, D. R. Lucas, at the Central Christian Church this morning is "Jesus and the Resurrection." In the evening there will be a song and praise service by the choir, led by Mr. Andrew Smith, and a short address by the pastor.

Special music will be given to-day at the Holy Innocents Church, St. George's Protestant Episcopal Mission, Roberts Park, Christ, Seventh Presbyterian, Plymouth and Meridian-street churches. Sunday-school services in commemoration of the day will also be held.

The Easter music at the English Lutheran Church this morning will be Norris's "Gloria Patri," and "Kyrie," "The Sols." "Open the Gates of the Temple" will be sung by Mr. William E. Duthie, and the duet "O Morning Land" will be sung by Miss Nora Dickey and Mr. Duthie. The choir will sing "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah."

At St. John's Cathedral there will be masses at 6 and 7:30 o'clock, and children's mass at 9 this morning. At 10:30 A. M. the pontifical mass will be celebrated by Right Rev. Bishop Chatard, with Mons. Bessonies as assistant, and Rev. F. B. Dowd and J. F. Weber, of St. John's, together with Rev. Edmund Scomitt and Rev. Michael, students at St. Meinrad's Seminary, as deacens. Rev. F. H. Gavisk will be master of ceremonies. At the morning service the cons. Rev. F. H. Gavisk will be master of ceremonies. At the morning service the music, under direction of Prof. J. J. Kohl, will be: Mass. Mozart and Wiegand; "Veni Creator." with violin, violoncello and harp obligato, L. Dietsch; Offertorv, "Hallelujah." William Dressler. At vesper services in the afternoon the programme will include Millard's vespers in F; "Ave Verum." Mercadante; "Tantum Ergo," F. Verdussen

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ASSISTED HIS BULL-DOG.

James Stewart, a colored man employed

as a hostler, by Dr. Roberts, was arrested

by an officer of the Human Society, yesterday afternoon, on a charge of cruelty to an animal. The arrest grew out of an episode which created much excitement about the corner of North Alabama and St. Clair streets yesterday morning. A bull-dog belonging to Stewart and a large and beautiful Newfoundland dog, owned by Bejamin M. Hebble, the poultry-dealer at No. 405 North Alabama street, were fighting near the corner mentioned, and the negro complacently watched the struggle of the animals as long as his dog had the best of it. The Newfoundland, however, soon began to overcome the other, and Stewart then went to the frescue of the bull-dog. He shook the Newfoundland loose from his hold on the other dog and struck him with a heavy club, stunning him. The bull-dog at once seized the Newfoundland by the throat, and it appeared that the latter would be killed. Not satisfied, however, Stewart ran incorner of North Alabama and St. Clair streets sfied, however, Stewart ran into the grocery of A. Lewis & Co., No. 401 North Alabama street, and seized a huge cheese-knife with which to attack the Newfoundland. Rushing back to the dogs, he slashed at the Newfoundland's throat and head, inflicting an ugly gash through the throat and another across the back of the neck. The injured animal fell back exhausted by loss of blood, and it was thought would die. Dr. McCulloch was called and dressed the brute's injuries, which, though serious, it is thought will not prove fatal. Stewart was taken before Justice of the Peace Smock, but the trial was postponed till one day this week.

One Hundred Years Gid. The funeral of Emelia Goodall, colored, took place yesterday from the home of her grandson, Minos Goodall, No. 319 Douglass street. She was 100 years old, and was bern on the old Goodall plantation, in Sumner county, Tennessee. Her parents were slaves and her children also until the close of the war. For eight years past she had lived here with her grandson.

Damaged by Fire. Fire damaged the Nordyke & Marmon establishment, in West Indianapolis, yesterday morning, to the extent of about \$200. It was extinguished without an

FURNITURE at Wm L. Elder's.

Spring Importations. Paul Krauss paid a duty of \$419.79 yester-day on a lot of neckwear, silk handker-chiefs and silk and weolen shirtings, billed from Welch, Margetsons & Co., London, England.

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